

# REPORT

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OF THE

**Town of Oakham,**

FOR THE

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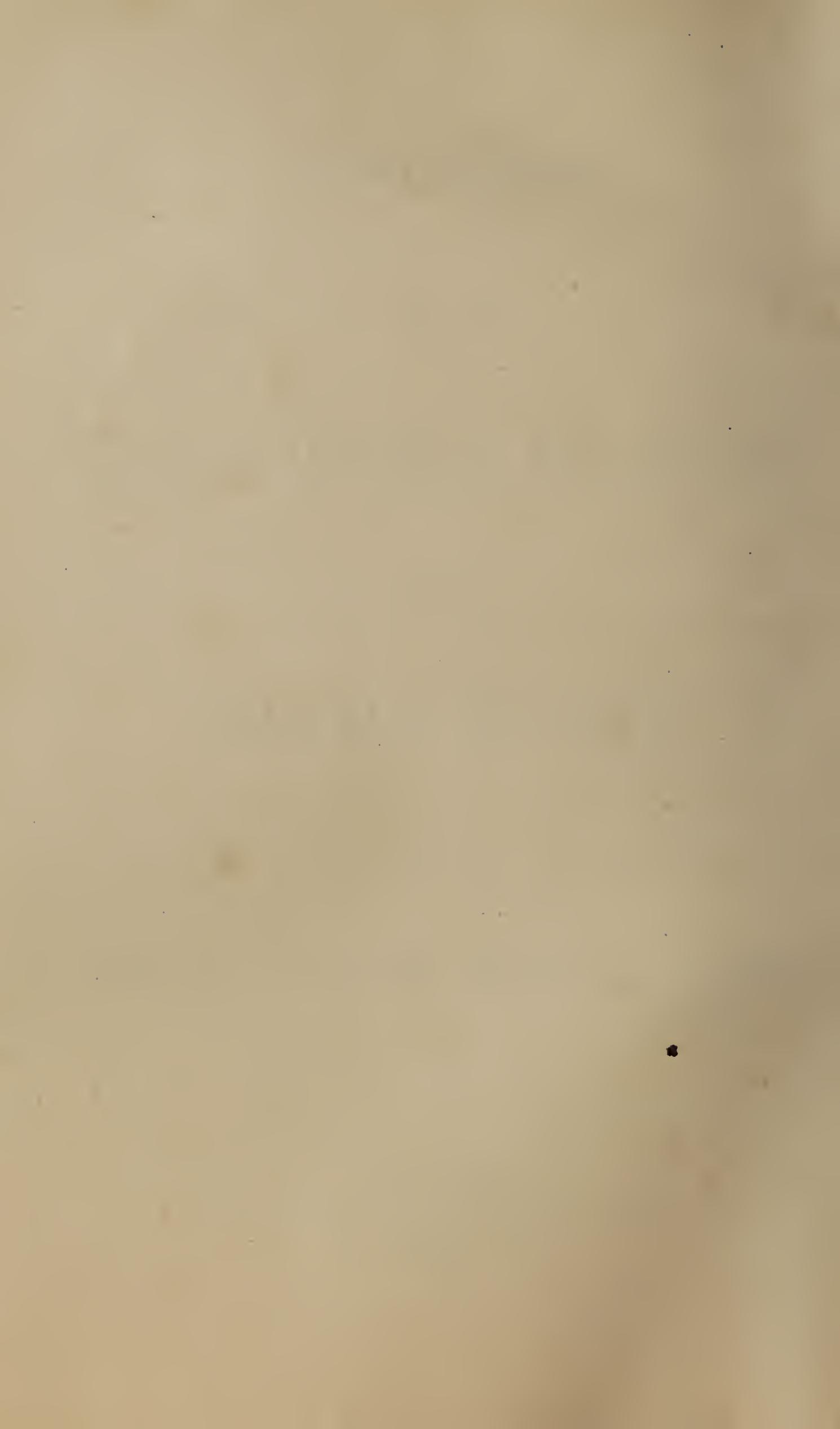
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## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

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Paid Town Clerk for services,	\$14 40
"                  postage,	5 45
	\$19 85

### SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	49 00
"                  postage and stationery,	1 81
	\$50 81

### ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	83 00
"                  blank books,	1 89
"                  postage,	1 33
	\$86 22

### TREASURER.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	10 00
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### COLLECTOR.

Paid L. P. Lovell for services,	\$40 00
"                  postage and stationery,	5 92
	\$45 92

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Jesse Allen for services,	16 00
L. P. Lovell        "	24 00
Postage and stationery,	83
	\$40 83

### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid for support of paupers,	824 49
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### BREAKING ROADS.

Paid William O. Keep,	\$5 57
C. A. Ware,	2 60

A. C. Bullard,	1 40
N. S. Walker,	2 75
George Allen,	5 30
C. H. Shedd,	2 20
S. J. Foster,	5 32
J. Waldo Knight.	3 60    \$28 74

## REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid M. M. Butterfield,	\$60 47
William O. Keep,	41 00
A. C. Bullard,	37 56
C. A. Ware,	65 35
E. H. Dwelly,	46 55
Cheney Bothwell,	71 80
Cheney Bothwell, for repairing bridge,	19 27
D. H. Nye,	81 90
John E. Stone,	72 70
A. E. Burt,	73 01
William S. Spear,	52 10
S. J. Foster,	45 00
J. Waldo Knight,	37 75
Z. L. Winslow,	38 12
D. M. Parker,	20 66
S. H. Bullard,	50 95
H. W. Lincoln,	42 85
G. C. Clark,	75    \$857 79

## SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East School,	\$138 50
Coldbrook School,	203 50
Centre School,	423 91
West School,	162 50
South School,	146 00    \$1074 41
Paid for School Books,	\$105 50
Repairs on School-houses,	24 89

## TOWN DEBT.

Paid Charles Adams, Jr.,	\$500 00
Timothy N. Fobes,	500 00    \$1000 00

## STATE AID.

Paie Eliza Plimpton,	\$48 00
William A. Parmenter,	120 00
Sophronia Green,	4 00

## MILITARY AID,

Paid City of Cambridge for Daniel Rogers,	\$60 00
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## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Maynard, Gough & Co., for printing,	\$63 50
Abatement of Taxes,	19 90
Wm. M. Thompson,	35 00
State Treasurer, one-fourth liquor license,	25 00
G. W. Russell & Sons, for hearse,	305 00
For Pump on the Common,	5 00
County Tax,	291 00
State Tax,	300 00
Freight on chandelier,	75
James Packard, services as sexton,	36 00
Interest,	1197 50

\$2278 65

## SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

## L. P. LOVELL, TREASURER, DR.

To Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1880,	\$3773 65
Cash for Tuition,	1 00
from Board of State Charities,	85 68
Rutland for Tuition,	\$10 00
from sale of Grass on the Common,	8 50
rent of Hall Farm, above taxes,	45 80
Corporation Tax,	11 72
National Bank Tax,	23 78
State Aid refunded,	168 00
Military Aid refunded,	12 50
sale of Old Hearse Wheels,	7 00
Dog Fund,	92 72
State and Military Aid,	29 00
Mass. School Fund,	213 16
for use of Hall, and Coal sold,	9 40
from sale of Books,	8 32

Interest on Taxes,	18 88
Town Grant,	5700 00
State Tax,	300 00
County Tax,	291 00
Overlayings,	75 73 \$10,885 84

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	\$6,680 10
Balance in Treasury to new account,	4,205 74 \$10,885 84
Deficiency in Highway Appropriation,	\$60 97

## INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	\$17,500 00
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MOSES O. AYRES,      } *Selectmen*  
 AVERY C. BULLARD,      } *of*  
 GEORGE W. STONE,      } *Oakham.*

*REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR*  
OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1880.

During the year, twenty-three persons have received full or partial support.

Received of the Town,	\$824 49
of the Town of Weymouth,	5 00
of the Town of Leverett,	39 66
from sale of Boards,	1 86
Whole amount received,	\$871 01

Which we account for as follows :

Paid Susan M. Thrasher for Lucy M. Goodale,	\$152 60
Susan M. Thrasher, for Lucy Robinson,	65 00
Lyman Dean for Lucius Wood,	11 50
Harvey Maynard for Lucius Wood,	110 42
Maria Burbank for Eliza Batease,	60 00
Adaline W. Knight for Lydia Chamberlain,	32 50
Mark Haskell for Lydia Chamberlain,	34 00
Henry A. Wilder for Eunice M. Walker,	65 00
City of Somerville for Patrick Kenny,	21 65
Town of North Brookfield for Joseph Brough,	19 19
Town of Sturbridge for George Severy,	22 00
City of Cambridge, burial expenses of Rogers child,	5 00
Wood and supplies for Melinda Woodis,	73 61
Supplies for Alice Farell,	4 37
Dr. F. E. Brigham for medical attendance for Alice Farell,	4 00
"	Lucy M. Goodale, 24 25
"	Lucius Wood, 7 00
"	Lucy Robinson, 2 75
"	Mrs. Jason M.
	Pierce and child, 33 00

Alanson Prouty for clothing for poor,	16	36
H. S. Harwood for groceries for Mrs Jason Pierce,	3	41
Alonzo Lincoln, rent for tramp room,		5 00
Wm. S. Crawford for keeping 47 tramps,	11	75
Joseph Cleaveland for keeping one tramp,	1	50
for Legal Counsel,	6	00
Horace Wilbur for mending L. Wood's shoes,	2	25
Constable of Barre for bringing Lucius Wood home,	2	00
James Packard for two coffins for Horace Green's children,	7	00
James Packard, coffin for Eliza Batease,	7	00
James Packard for closing grave,		50
J. C. Bemis, car fare and freight for Mrs. Jason M. Pierce, to Natick,	3	25
Overseers, two journeys and expenses to Hubbardston,	8	00
Overseers for journey and expense to Athol, to bring Lucius Wood home,	5	00
Overseers for journey and expense to Sturbridge,	5	75
"          "          "          Southbridge,	6	65
Postage and Stationery,	1	75
Overseers for ordinary services,	30	00
Amount paid,		\$871 01

Respectfully submitted.

PAGE AUSTIN,  
JOHN ROBINSON,  
WM. S. CRAWFORD, } *Overseers  
of the  
Poor.*

1880.

*BIRTHS, MARRIAGES & DEATHS IN OAKHAM.*

BIRTHS.

Jan. 23,	Daughter to	John E. Stone.
Feb. 6,	"	John P. Day.
May 14,	Son to	George W. Stone.
Aug. 3,	Daughter to	Isadore Snay.
" 5,	"	George H. Wilder.
" 13,	"	Rogene Parker.
" "	Son to	Cornelius Weeks.
Sept. 19,	"	George Olmstead.
" 30,	Daughter to	George E. Thresher.
Oct. 14,	Son to	Arthur L. Loring.
Nov. 1,	"	Peter Pluff.
Dec. 3,	"	James K. Clark,
" 21,	Daughter to	J. Wm. Bemis,
" 22,	"	Allston Collier,
		Total 14.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 19,	John A. Dean	to	Inez A. Lovell.
Mar. 18,	George E. Thresher	"	Alice M. Lovering.
" 30,	Evander L. Parker	"	Georgiana M. Hawkins.
June 17,	Mildmay D. Parker	"	Dora E. Hawkins.
" 23,	Charles S. Clifford	"	Flora M. Crawford.
Aug. 30,	Sibley F. Woodis	"	Minnie L. Brooks.
" 31,	Orin D. Barr	"	Sarah E. Green.
Dec. 21,	William A. Nye	"	Emeline J. Dean.
			Total 8.

DEATHS.

DATE.		YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan. 18,	Laura T. Brown,	71	7	3
Feb. 6,	Mary W. Day,	30		
Apr. 14,	Alice M. Morse,	25	6	18
" 17,	Nancy Foster,	83	6	27
May 4,	George A. Parmenter,	28	3	5
" 16,	Enoch L. Hallowell,	59	4	19
" 29,	Sally E. Pellet,	84	8	
June 16,	George H. Wilder,	1	0	28
July 17,	George E. Ball,	4		
" 27,	Lucy M. Goodale,	36	4	24
Aug. 12,	Grace M. Stone,	0	6	19
" 29,	Dolly H. Maynard,	70	2	11
Sept. 24,	Erastus F. Woodis,	65	3	19
Oct. 11,	Perley Ayres,	88	5	11
" 16,	Jennie A. Brooks,	19	8	15
Nov. 17,	Emeline Dean.	66	1	17
Dec. 6,	Sydney J. Woodbury,	1	7	18
" 24,	Aura L. Green,	7	1	21
" "	Josie M. Green,	3	6	10

FORMER RESIDENTS BURIED IN TOWN.

Feb. 23,	Chandler Weeks,	75
Mar. 26,	Isaac D. Rice,	78
May 7,	Mrs. John Hanmond,	76
Oct. 11,	Orlando Russell,	68



## SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following Report for the year ending March 1st, 1881.

### —DR.—

To amount in treasury at last report,	\$779 31
"    appropriated by the town,	750 00
"    received from State school fund,	213 16
"    "    "    dog tax fund,	92 72
"    "    "    coal sold,	3 40
"    "    "    tuition,	1 00
To tuition received from Town of Rutland,	10 00
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	\$1,849 59

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## EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching two terms, 16 weeks,	\$80 00
By amount paid Walter M. Robinson, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	50 00
Fuel and care of house,	11 25
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	141 25

## SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Flora Crawford, teaching spring term, 8 weeks,	\$40 00
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By amount paid Miss Phila H. Parkman, teaching fall term, 8 weeks,	36 00
By amount paid Mr. Albert W. Hitchcock, teaching winter term, 10 weeks,	70 00
Fuel and care of house,	11 00
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	\$157 00

## COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Helen Dean, teaching three terms 26 weeks,	\$194 00
Fuel and care of house,	14 25
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	\$208 25

## WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Minnie Brooks, teaching spring term,	\$40 00
By amount paid Marie J. Kendall, teaching fall term,	40 00
By amount paid Miss Ada V. Walker, teaching winter term,	65 00
Fuel and care of house,	19 50
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	\$164 50

## CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teaching two terms, 15 1-2 weeks,	\$78 00
By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching one term, 10 weeks,	60 00
By amount paid Mrs. L. H. Wells, teaching one term, 8 weeks,	60 00
By amount paid Miss Mary A. Sanborn, teaching two terms, 18 weeks,	144 00
For fuel and care of house,	64 41
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	\$406 41
Paid for maps, erasers, brooms and crayons,	\$25 16
Total expense of schools, chargeable to school fund,	\$1,102 57
Balance in treasury belonging to school fund,	\$747 02

There have been two terms of eight weeks each, and one term of ten weeks in all the schools of the town, although at the time of writing this report the school in Coldbrook is not completed, it having been somewhat broken up by sickness.

The fall term of Centre school number one was lengthened two weeks at the expense of the scholars.

The severe winter and prevalence of considerable sickness among the scholars makes our record of attendance very poor during the winter term.

The attendance in the several schools is as follows:

### EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, spring and fall terms. Mr. Walter M. Robinson, teacher in winter term.

Spring term,	Whole No.	scholars,	14	Average attendance,	12
Fall	"	"	16	"	" 14 1-2
Winter	"	"	20	"	" 17

### SOUTH SCHOOL.

Miss Flora Crawford, teacher in spring term. Miss Phila Parkman, teacher in fall term, Mr. Albert W. Hitchcock, teacher in winter term.

Spring term.	Whole No.	scholars,	18	Average attendance,	17 1-2
Fall	"	"	15	"	" 14
Winter	"	"	26	"	" 18

### COLDBROOK SCHOOL

Miss Helen Dean, teacher, spring, fall and winter terms.

Spring term,	Whole No.	scholars,	26	Average attendance.	23.5
Fall	"	"	31	"	"
Winter	"	"	23	"	"

### WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Minnie Brooks, teacher, spring term. Miss Marie Kendall, teacher, fall term. Miss Ada V. Walker, teacher, winter term.

Spring term.	Whole No.	scholars.	22	Average attendance,	16
Fall	"	"	25	"	" 16
Winter	"	"	27	"	" 16

### CENTRE SCHOOL.

Spring term. Mrs. Louise K. Wells and Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teachers. Fall term, Miss Mary Sanborn and Miss J. H. O. Lovell, teachers.

Winter term, Miss Mary Sanborn and Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teachers.

## CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 1.

Spring term,	Whole No.	scholars,	24	Average attendance,	23
Fall	"	"	30	"	"
Winter	"	"	32	"	"

## CENTRE SCHOOL No. 2.

Spring term,	Whole No.	scholars,	24	Average attendance,	23.5
Fall	"	"	30	"	"
Winter	"	"	22	"	"

The attendance in all the schools was:

In the spring term, Whole No.	128	Average,	115
" fall	"	"	122
" winter	"	"	113

The number of children in town, between the ages of 5 and 15, May 1st, 1880, as ascertained by the assessors, was 135.

The committee have exchanged grammar and spelling books within the year, at a nominal expense of \$33.48, although the actual expense is much less, for every scholar now has a new book in place of the old ones. We propose to arrange as soon as convenient, so that the school books may be found at all the stores in town.

The committee have paid out \$23.39 from the appropriation of \$50.00 made last year. We have left, \$26.61 in the treasury. Seven hundred and fifty dollars should be appropriated for the support of schools the coming year.

# ROLL OF HONOR.

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Names of those scholars neither absent nor tardy.

## EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Three terms,	John Keep,	Henry U. Crawford.
One term,	Edward J. Crawford,	Walter W. Church.

## SOUTH SCHOOL.

Two terms,	Bessie L. Weld,	E. May Parker,
	Rosie W. Parker,	Gertie A. Parker.
One term,	Jennie Bemis,	Frank Morgan,
		Joseph Lemey.

## WEST SCHOOL.

Two terms,	Julia Marsh,	Lena R. Adams,	Effie Adams.
One term,	Maggie J. Gaffney,	Annie H. Gaffney,	J. Agnes Gaffney,
	James Leyden,		Jerome Foster.

We cannot report on Coldbrook School, for we have not the register.

## CENTRE SCHOOL, No. 1.

Two terms,	Carrie V. Bartlett,	Lillian E. Robinson,	Lizzie Sheern,
	Katie D. Sheern,	Lilla B. Spooner,	George Larabee,
		Mattie J. Dean.	
One term,	Sarah Butler,	Cora Crawford,	Elsie Sargeant,
	Fannie M. Thompson,	Mary Wilbur,	Frank Davis,

## CENTRE SCHOOL No. 2.

Two terms,	Nellie Keyes,	Dora E. Sargeant,	J. Mabel Gleason,
	Carrie Winter,	Bertha C. Lovell,	Jessie M. Davis,
	Ella Spooner,	Minnie M. Spear,	Jesse Robinson.
One term,	Maria L. Lincoln,	Florence Caldwell,	Gracie Gleason,
	Mabel Caldwell,	John F. Sheern,	Willie Needham,
	Newton Green,	Harry Caldwell,	Jamie P. Fairbank

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. LOVELL,  
JESSE ALLEN,  
H. W. LINCOLN, } *School Committee.*





